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A regional meeting to which all of our members and their friends are cordially invited will be held at St. John's Church, Tremont Street, Roxbury, Boston, on Saturday, May 30, at 10:00 a.m. The speaker will be the Rev. Dr. Massey H. Shepherd.

The Rev. F. W. Fitts, Rector of St. John's Church, Roxbury, Boston, addressed a conference of the Altar Guilds of Western Massachusetts in Fitchburg on May 22, explaining and illustrating the "Prayer Book Use." He will also lecture at the Wellesley Conference in late June.

A LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENT

To the Members of the Anglican Society:

These are great and terrible days in which we are living, great with opportunity for a better world, terrible with the suffering and sorrow of our present ordeal by fire.

I believe that the Anglican Society has a contribution of value to make in these days. Our Society stands not only for beauty in worship (that is our second object), but first of all we stand for truth in faith. There was never a time when truth in belief was more important than now as we face the responsibility of rebuilding the old world into a new one more in harmony with God's plan and purpose.

Our Honorary President, Bishop Oldham, during his years as President, has led the Society from the period of its founding (in 1932) to the strength we enjoy at present. I am grateful for the privilege of succeeding him as President and I propose to go forward in the path on which he has so wisely set our feet. It is the path of loyalty to the God of truth and beauty, as made articulate for us in the Book of Common Prayer and the life and work of our mother, the Church.

Let us dedicate ourselves afresh to the realization of our Society's goals in these stirring times.

Yours faithfully,

EDWARD R. WELLES.

LIST OF VARIOUS BOOKS AND PAMPHLETS

As a desire was expressed at the last Annual Meeting that the Society should prepare lists of books and pamphlets on various subjects connected with the objects of the Society, the following lists are printed. These lists are incomplete but at least they are suggestive. If they are used by our members and others, they cannot fail to produce well informed churchmen.

THE OLD TESTAMENT

"The Story of the Old Testament," by E. J. Goodspeed.
"Everyman's Story of the Old Testament," by A. Nairne.

THE NEW TESTAMENT

"The Story of the New Testament," by E. J. Goodspeed.
"Everyman's Story of the New Testament," by A. Nairne.
"In the Steps of the Master," by H. V. Morton.

"In the Steps of St. Paul," by H. V. Morton.
"How to Understand the Gospels," by Anthony C. Deane.
"Jesus Christ," by Anthony C. Deane.

THE BIBLE

"The Devotional Use of the Bible," by Peter Green.
"The Bible Speaks to Our Generation," by F. G. Lankard.
"The Bible for Today," by I. Stirling.
"The Light of the Bible," by Vernon F. Storr.
"The English Bible as Literature," by Charles Dinsmore.
"The Authority of the Bible," by C. H. Dodd.

THE LIFE OF CHRIST

"A People's Life of Christ," by Paterson-Smyth.
"Jesus of Nazareth," by Charles Gore.
"Commentary," edited by Bishop Gore.
"The Abingdon Bible Commentary."

CHURCH HISTORY

"The History of the Church," by C. P. S. Clarke.
"History of the Church of England," by Wakeman.
"History of the American Episcopal Church," by Manross.
"Militant in Earth," by Hardy.

THE CHRISTIAN FAITH

"Christianity," by E. Bevan.
"Can We Then Believe," by C. Gore.
"Belief in God," by C. Gore.
"Belief in Christ," by C. Gore.
"The Holy Spirit and the Church," by C. Gore.
"Letters To a Godson," by Cyril Bickersteth.
2nd Series (Christian Doctrine).
"The Catholic Religion," by V. Staley.
"The Episcopal Church," by L. Griswold.
"The Episcopal Church," by T. S. Will.
"The Prayer Book Reason Why," by Boss.

PERSONAL RELIGION

"The Spiritual Life," by Underhill.
"The Threefold Way," by Paul B. Bull.
"The Secret Garden of the Soul," by E. Herman.
"Creative Prayer," by E. Herman.
"Life in Christ," by F. P. Harton.
"Personal Religion and the Life of Devotion," by W. R. Inge.
"Christ's Method of Prayer," by E. L. Strong.

USEFUL BOOKS ON MUSIC

"Music in the History of the Western Church," by Edward Dickinson (Scribner).
"Quires and Places Where They Sing," by Sydney Nicholson (G. Bell & Sons).
"Church Music: a Practical Handbook," by Sydney Nicholson (Faith Press).

"English Church Music," by Gardiner and Nicholson (S. P. C. K.). (A standard work; full and valuable.)

"Hymnody, Past and Present," by C. S. Phillips (S. P. C. K.). (The best book on the subject.)

"Songs of Praise," by Percy Dearmer and Vaughan Williams (Oxford Univ. Press).
(A great hymnal.)

"Songs of Praise Discussed," by Percy Dearmer (Oxford Univ. Press).
(A historical and biographical commentary; excellent; full of material for addresses on hymns.)

"The Oxford Carol Book," (Oxford Univ. Press). (The best book of carols.)

"The Church Anthem Book," (Oxford Univ. Press). (100 fine anthems, many of them easy.)

"Church Music in History and Practice." by Canon Winfred Douglas. (Scribner.) (Scholarly; supports Plainsong strongly.)

LOUIS E. DANIELS.

BOOKS AND PAMPHLETS ON LITURGICS

"History of the Book of Common Prayer, " by Proctor and Frere.

"Liturgy and Society," by Hebert.

"Worship," by Underhill.

"Eucharistic Faith and Practice," by Brilioth.

"Outline of Christian Worship," by Maxwell.

"Our Hertage in Public Worship," by Hislop.

"Prayer Book Interleaves," by Ladd.

"Principles of Religious Ceremonial," by Frere.

"Parson's Handbook," by Dearmer.

"The Art of Public Worship," by Dearmer.

"Short Handbook of Public Worship," by Dearmer.

"The Anaphora," by Frere.

"Essays," by Frere.

"Spirit of Worship," by Heiler.

"The American Prayer Book," by Parsons and Jones.

"Liturgy and Worship, by Clarke.

"History of Christian Worship," by Hardman.

"The Parish Communion," by Hebert.

"The Ornaments of the Ministers," by Dearmer.

Very valuable are the tracts, pamphlets, and collections, and leaflets of the ALCUIN CLUB, especially No. XIII, "A Directory of Ceremonial."

Also the publications of the WARHAM GUILD are admirable, some of which may be attained free, the rest at a slight cost.

F. W. FITTS.

COLLECT OF THE SOCIETY

O God, who art the Author of all good things in Thy holy Church, Work mightily in Thy servants of the Anglican Society; Direct and control our thoughts and deeds in loyal adherence to the heritage of our fathers that by our endeavors we may enhance the beauty and sincerity of Thy worship; through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

BISHOP OLDHAM.